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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

David Comstock

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) David Comstock.

(3) _____.

(2) Myron Wyche.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 04 June 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1,2 and 15.

Identification of prior art discussed: Hahn (3,605,123).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Examiner noted indefinite language in the claims, which Applicant will correct in the next response. Examiner noted that the subject matter of claim 2 may define over Hahn, since it refers to channels extending all the way through the layer to the interface of the implant while Hahn discloses that there is substantially no porosity at the layer/implant interface. However, further search and consideration is necessary regarding this point, as well as to identify other art that discloses the invention.